

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 BUENOS 02312 032154Z

20

ACTION ARA-10

INFO OCT-01 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-03 H-02 INR-07 L-02 NSAE-00

NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06 ERDA-05

AID-05 CEA-01 CIEP-01 COME-00 EB-07 FPC-01 INT-05

OMB-01 SAM-01 OES-03 STR-04 TRSE-00 FRB-03 FEA-01

ISO-00 /093 W

----- 099918

R 031957Z APR 75

FM AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 0612

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE BUENOS AIRES 2312

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG, AR

SUBJ: ESSO ARGENTINA INITIATES LEGAL SUIT AGAINST GOA

1. ESSO RECENTLY INITIATED LEGAL SUIT AGAINST GOVERNMENT
CONTESTING CONSTITUTIONALITY AND LEGITIMACY OF DECREE 632
OF AUGUST 1974, WHICH PROVIDED FOR NATIONALIZATION OF
PETROLEUM MARKETING IN ARGENTINA. REPORTEDLY, SUIT REQUESTS
JUDGE TO RULE THAT ESSO'S ASSETS SHOULD EITHER BE RETURNED
TO ESSO, WITH ALLOWANCE FOR DAMAGES, OR THAT ESSO SHOULD BE
COMPENSATED FOR ITS ASSETS WITH DAMAGE ALLOWANCE.

2. COMMENT: ESSO HAD ALREADY INFORMED GOA IT PLANNED INITIATE
LEGAL ACTION WHILE CONTINUING NEGOTIATIONS WITH GOVERNMENT SO
MOVE CAME AS NO SURPRISE TO GOA. ESSO HAD ALSO INFORMED
EMBASSY OF PROPOSED ACTION. ESSO HAD BEEN WORRIED ABOUT POS-
SIBLE ADVERSE PRESS REACTION BUT PRESS COVERAGE THUS FAR
VERY MODERATE.
MONTLLOR

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: LITIGATION, PETROLEUM INDUSTRY, LAW, NATIONALIZATION
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 03 APR 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: GolinoFR
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975BUENOS02312
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750116-0805
From: BUENOS AIRES
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750486/aaaadauz.tel
Line Count: 51
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION ARA
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 1
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: GolinoFR
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 02 SEP 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <02 SEP 2003 by BoyleJA>; APPROVED <03 SEP 2003 by GolinoFR>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: ESSO ARGENTINA INITIATES LEGAL SUIT AGAINST GOA
TAGS: ENRG, AR, ESSO
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006